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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated June 2, 2006 finally rejecting claims 1-16.

The following items are enclosed herewith:

- A check in the amount of \$1,520.00, which is the payment of the fee for filing a notice of appeal as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b) and the fee for a three-month extension of time;
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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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